

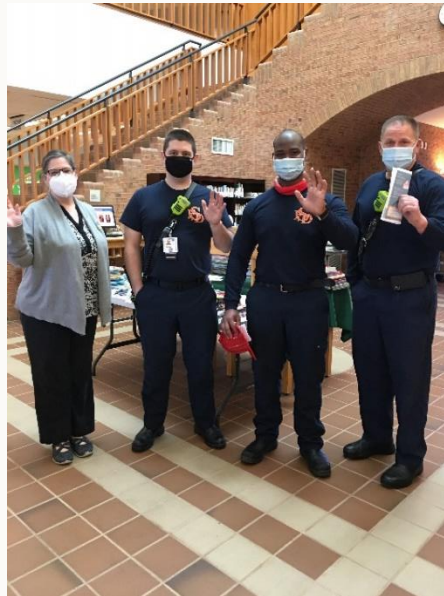
Mayor and City Council Update February 5, 2021

To: Mayor and Council
From: Administration
CC: Department Heads



Library

Firefighter Visit – Several employees from Smyrna Fire Department visited the library on February 3 to sign up for library cards. They were especially keen to use the library's Lynda.com subscription for training.



Black History Month – During announcements, Mary Moore promoted the city's Black History Month events at the Smyrna Business Association virtual luncheon on February 4. Councilman Wheaton reinforced the messaging, discussing the array of events being offered.

Personnel Anniversary – Library employees recognized Ruth Hayden, Technical Services Librarian, this week for hitting her 25-year anniversary with the city. She did not want her picture taken because no one warned her to do her hair special. But Carol Sicard brought over some divine cookies from the new cookie place in Belmont, and the library supplied fresh flowers for the occasion.



Museum

The Smyrna Museum has helped kick off the City's observance of Black History Month by debuting an interactive website on Mt. Zion Cemetery.

<https://bit.ly/3pKrPNj>

Here viewers can learn about some of the history of Mt. Zion Baptist church and the community who worshipped at the church and were laid to rest in the cemetery. The StoryMaps site also informs citizens about the City's efforts to preserve and restore the cemetery site.

At the bottom of the webpage, visitors have an opportunity to share information they may have about the history of Mt. Zion Cemetery and who is buried there.

This week the Smyrna Museum will debut a new tour on Black History in Smyrna,

Black Experiences of Smyrna

This hour-long tour will be available every Friday and Saturday in February at 10 am and 2 pm.

Guests can sign up for timed- ticket slots at

www.SmyrnaHistoryMuseum.com

5 visitors came to tour the Museum during our new visiting hours last week.

Finance

GPAG- Governmental Procurement Association of Georgia Winter Procurement Seminar and Business Meeting.

Kelly Brown and Starla Whiddon attended the Virtual Meeting on Friday Jan 29, 2021.

Discussions included Critical Thinking, Contracts and Legal Issues, Tips for Zoom meetings, and the Newly formed Pathways for Procurement Certifications from NIGP.

Department of Environmental Services (KSB)

Recycling Center:

Current Hours: Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 8:00am-4:00pm and Thursday, 10:00am-6:00pm

In January, the center collected and processed 100,630 lbs. of material and had 2011 patrons.

Keep Smyrna Beautiful:

Upcoming Events:

- Arbor Day Tree Planting, February 19th
- Community Cleanups: February 18th and 27th
- Document Shredding Event, March 13th from 9am-12pm at the Wolfe Center

Parks & Recreation

Among the frigid temperatures our parks team continued prepping ball fields for Little League play, as well as adjusting lights, security timers, dragging fields, cleanings buildings and cleaning and reinstalling backstop pads and bases. As we approach the latter part of the week, we will be placing additional trash cans at the athletic complexes that were just recently painted as we enjoy an uptick of activity with sports leagues.

Staff has completed a sweep of the dog parks to fix and fill holes that our 4 legged friends enjoy creating.

Staff completed a change out of all of our Smyrna, Georgia State and U.S. flags, located within our parks system.

Parks Maintenance staff continues to empty trash cans, thoroughly clean restrooms and address all the small detail items that need to be done everyone morning to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone who visits the parks, no matter which one.

The historic buildings have been undergoing a bit of maintenance over the last few weeks. Brawner Hall now has a new water heater and has had repairs to the Fire Alarm System. The Taylor-Brawner House has a new thermostat (since the heat was not coming on) and has had an upgraded rodent control system installed.

Theresa Galletta, Facilities Event Coordinator, attended a 2-day virtual conference sponsored by WeddingPro. Topics covered include: How Venues are Prepping for 2021, Marketing to Millennials and Gen Z, etc.

The Wolfe Center and Therapy Pool is currently open Monday – Thursday from 8:00 am – 6:00 pm. And on Fridays, from 8:00 am – noon. Members are calling in to reserve slots for water walking, lap swimming, fitness center and exercise classes. We are currently offering 24 fitness classes on the Wolfe Center side as well as a full day of water walking, lap swimming and aquatic classes on the pool side. We continue to average 86 visitors per day.

Tae Kwon Do classes continue at the Community Center on Friday evenings.

Smyrna Dancers are holding classes on Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday at the community center. They have limited numbers in each class.

“Camp in the Box” will replace traditional Winter Camp for the week of February 15-19. These boxes will have different activities kids can engage in for nonstop fun.

SMYRNA PARKS & RECREATION

CAMP in a BOX

CAUTION: CONTENTS MAY CAUSE SMILES & FUN!

ages 5-12

\$40.00 Residents
\$45.00 Non-Residents

Excited for winter break? So are we!
Camp In A Box has all you need to have a fun winter break at home. The box includes arts and crafts, games, science experiment ideas, easy cooking recipes, and more! Sign up and pick up yours with exciting activities for your camper. Get your box before we run out.

Pick up location:
Smyrna Community Center
200 Village Green Circle
Smyrna, GA 30080
Pick up dates: February 8 - 12

For more information contact:
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"In the Kitchen with Dad" cooking class is coming Saturday, February 20. This activity will have Dad and his daughter in the kitchen cooking a special meal with the help of Chef Elizabeth.

Updates on the annual Easter Egg event coming soon.

"Virtual Family Game Night" for families will begin Friday, February 26. The game for that week will be: Bingo.

Programs staff are putting together at home activities for our Wolfe Center members who are still staying safe at home. These activities could be a craft, mind puzzles, recipes, at home exercises, etc.

Programs is looking forward to the senior bus and van being updated with a "wrap" that will hopefully be completed by the end of February. The design will offer a fresh new look to a couple of older vehicles and represent the city and its' seniors when traveling.

Staff is researching a Mobile Recreation Program for the summer of 2021. This program would see our bus and or van making weekly appearances at parks. While there we will provide games and activities for people to do.

P&R is currently planning to operate are annual Summer Camp at the Smyrna Community Center. We will also have a backup plan in place in case we cannot operate are usual.

The American Red Cross Blood Drive is Monday, February 8 from 2-7pm at the Community Center. Currently all donation appointments are full with 74 people total. The next event will be March 29. Everyone is encouraged to sign up early to donate, as spots are filling quickly. If you would like to donate please visit [Donate Blood](#) | [Find a Local Blood Drive](#) | [American Red Cross](#).

The Community Center restroom/locker room project is nearing the end, and the result will offer a beautiful family lounge, with WIFI, comfortable seating and work areas, television accessibility and updated, modern restrooms for families to enjoy.



Public Works

AWWA Water loss audit 2020 was completed and submitted to the state this week. Water Distribution Public Works and Water administration worked closely to finish the yearly audit due March 1st. Public Works also completed water supply data collection workbook audit due February 19th. This workbook is completed by all members of the NMPWPD to ensure future water demands are met due to growth and development.

Public Works Water/Sewer Division: Water main replacement on McCoba Ct this week rerouting an old water main that currently runs underneath a permanent structure. Case Bore under Hawthorne Ave has been completed to run the new pipe to existing, Project 50% completed. Project on hold. Water main lines belong in the right-of-way to be able to access them during water main emergency breaks and system shutdowns during maintenance.

Water Sewer has started up the yearly sewer modeling to ensure that all sanitary sewer main lines that take the bulk of the flow in the city are sufficient enough to carry all the flows from all Current and new development, this consist of sub basins 1,4,5,6, Project 80% completed. Staff evaluating data on basins 6 and 1 collected.

Sewer Crew proceeding in ward 7 with preventative maintenance and sonar of the sewer systems to ensure sewer flow is not impeded and pipe is in good condition. Crews work from ward to ward until the city is completed. Once all data is collected Public Works management staff will evaluate conditions to put together future predictions of repairs and replacements.

Public Works street division: Lake drive storm drainpipe Installation is completed; crews will finish landscaping this week to fully complete project.



Antler Trail and Cooper lake Court storm pipe replacement up to start at the end of the month.

Concord road curbing and drive aprons will begin Monday 8th weather permitting to complete the section from fire station 2 to south cobb drive.

Mt. Zion cemetery upgrades, wall replacement and Fencing to define Cemetery has been Completed. Public works will be filling in low lying areas in the cemetery, Along installation of sidewalk and landscaping to new cemetery entrance. Project 70% completed.

Public Works South Cobb Drive Water line Project Phase II: The projects Notice to Proceed is 1/25/2021 and the contract date is 180 days. The projects scope of work intel's of installing new 8-inch and 12-inch water main lines on the east and west sides of South Cobb Drive from Benson Poole Road to Concord Road. Contractor installing silt fence and staging areas.

SPLOST

Windy Hill Boulevard: Baldwin is installing temporary road and parts of the permanent road delayed due to weather a date has yet to be determined when traffic will transition. Baldwin has started installing storm drain from Venture Road toward South Cobb Drive. Traffic light contractor installing conduit and wiring for the new temporary traffic lights they have the first set of temporary traffic lights installed at Ward Street intersection. Baldwin is working on the last 2 side streets to transition into the new roadway Cherokee Trail and Beaver Creek. That work is expected to begin next week with proper traffic control since both of these subdivisions are one way in and one way out the work has to be preformed one lane at a time to maintain access.

Church street roadway improvement's: This project from South Cobb to King Street will be 100% complete by the of the week with final speed table installed. Church Street from King Street to Atlanta road will begin Monday 8th with new 5ft sidewalk, project was broken up into 2 phases due to obtaining right of way.

Police Department

Total number of arrests:	68
Total number of citations issued:	368
Total number of warning citations:	252
Total number of calls for service:	1500

Fire Department

Incidents

Fire-3

Medical-64

Other- 42

Total-109

We are pleased to announce the Smyrna Fire Department 2020 Annual Report has been completed.



Community Development

Type	#	Estimated Cost of Construction	Location
Building New/Residential	16	\$3,394,794	2: Enclave at Old Concord 1: Logan's Walk 5: Village at Williams Park 8: Brookside Lake Manor
Building Remodel/Residential	13	\$513,513	1: Accessory 4: Addition 4: Interior 1: Pool 3: Re-roof
Building Remodel/Commercial	3	\$963,000	3: Masco (4300 Highlands Pkwy), 5: Star Beauty (3240 S Cobb Dr), Audio America (3500 Highlands Pkwy)
Electrical	6	-	-
Plumbing	3	-	-
HVAC	7	-	-
Grading	1	\$12,323	1: Commercial – Express Caliber Car Wash (1047 Windy Hill Rd)
TOTAL	49	\$4,883,630	

WEEKLY INSPECTIONS

Type	Number	# of Sites
All	168	94

NEW BUSINESSES

Name	Location	Home/Commercial	Description
JONQUIL YOGA, LLC	1169 PINEHURST DR SE	H	ONLINE YOGA SERVICES
HARTMANN STUDIOS, INC	7000 HIGHLANDS PKWY, STE 160	C	RENTAL SPACE FOR CAPTURING VIDEO CONTENT
VHC CLEANING & PAINTING	970 WINDY HILL RD, APT 23A	H	CLEANING & PAINTING SERVICE - OFFICE ONLY
SUPERIOR MORTGAGE LENDING, LLC	1026 CONCORD RD	C	MORTGAGE BROKERAGE
ELSY DOMINICAN SALON	560 WINDY HILL RD, UNIT E	C	BEAUTY/BARBER SHOP
SANTOS INVESTMENTS COMPANY, LLC	3515 N COOPER LAKE RD SE	C	RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY MANAGERS
PERSONALIZED BY JENNI	1409 COUNTRYSIDE PL SE	H	ONLINE SALES OF EMBROIDERED ITEMS